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For: COMPOSITION FOR THE CARRYING AND DELIVERY OF BONE GROWTH INDUCING MATERIAL AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING AND APPLYING THE COMPOSITION	:	

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 27, 2006 OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

This Amendment is filed in reply to the Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 27, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application. The September 27, 2006 Office Action provided a period of 1 month in which to file a response, i.e., by October 27, 2006. A petition for a five-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith. Accordingly, a reply to the September 27, 2006 Office Action is now due March 27, 2007 and this Amendment is being timely filed.